in a shop in Maulana Azad Road area, opposite to Meena Bagh, but the retailer terminated the agreement as the sale was low. However, there is a Delhi Milk Scheme booth functioning in Meena Bagh, which meets the requirement of milk in that area.

Broadgauge line from Delhi to Ramnagar, U.P.

537. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHNA RAO : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that broadgauge line facility from Delhi to Ramnagar, U.P. is available ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that direct train service between these two places has not been provided so far ;

(c) if so, what are the reasons therefor ;

(d) whether Government are aware that the non-operation of a direct train between Delhi and Ramnagar is defeating the very purpose of converting the metre gauge line from Moradabad to Ramnagar into broad gauge line ; and

(e) if so, what steps are being taken by Government to provide a direct train service between the above two places ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir. A direct train with 5 coaches is running between Ramnagar and Delhi and this runs combined with 4055/4056 Delhi-Bareilly Express on Delhi-Moradabad section.

(c) to (e). Do not arise.

Introduction of Rajdhani Express between New Delhi and Madras or Hyderabad

538. SHRI M. A. BABY : Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to introduce a Rajdhani Express train between New Delhi and Madras or Hyderabad ; and

(b) if so, by when the said train is likely to be introduced ?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Computerisation of employment exchanges

539. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR : Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state :

(a) the number of computerised employment exchanges functioning in the country, State-wise ; and

(b) by when all the employment exchanges in Andhra Pradesh are likely to be computerised?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) Information on the number of Employment Exchanges in respect of which Central assistance has been released for installation of computer systems from the inception of the Scheme (1986-87) till the end of February, 1990, is given in the statement. (*See* below). In addition, some States/UT Administrations have taken up computerisation of some Employment Exchanges out of their own resources.

(b) According to available information, the State Govt. of Andhra Pradesh proposes to computerise

all the Employment Exchanges (except small sub-Employment Exchanges) in the State during the 8th Plan, subject to availability of resources. The Employment Exchanges are under the administrative and financial control of the State Governments.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the State	No. of Employment Exchanges for which Central assistance released for computerisation
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	14
2.	Assam	1
3.	Bihar	4
4.	Delhi	1
5.	Gujarat	5
6.	Himachal Pradesh	1
7.	Karnataka	2
8.	Kerala	2
9.	Madhya Pradesh	8
10.	Maharasthra	4
11.	Manipur	1
12.	Orissa	3
13.	Rajasthan	1
14.	Tamil Nadu	4
15.	Uttar Pradesh	4
16.	West Bengal	1
	TOTAL :	56

540. [*Transferred to the 20th March, 1990*]

Import of Rice and Wheat

541. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR : Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state :

(a) the quantum of rice and wheat imported during the years 1988-89 and 1989-90 so far ;

(b) what is the total cost of imported rice and wheat ; and

(c) the countries from where wheat and rice are being imported?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA) : (a) to (c) During 1988-89 a quantity of 20·11 lakh tonnes of whea from USA at an approximate FOB cost of US$ 243·36 million, 6·84 lakh tonnes of rice from Thailand at an approximate FOB cost of US $ 166·76 million were imported. There was no import of wheat during 1989-90. However, a quantity of 5·24 lakh tonnes of rice on FOB and C&F basis was imported from Vietnam and Thailand during 1989-90 at the cost indicated below :—

	Quantity of Rice received as per Bill of Lading (M.T.)	Cost	Ocean Freight including insurance	Total Cost
1.	2,64,435·6	US $ 7,22,92,390.30 (FOB)	US $ 93,72,410·18	US $ 8,16,64,800.48
2.	21,193·2	Rs. 11,69,86,464·00 (C&F)	Rs. 4,65,05189 (Insurance only)	Rs. 11,74,51,515·89
3.	2,38,061·5	US $ 7,03,38,880·15 (C&F)	US $ 1,85,456·52 (Insurance only)	US $ 7,05,30,336·67
				15,21,95,137.15US $
	TOTAL 523,690.3			Rs. 11,74,51,515·89